

the Southern States—though no man with his resources could have held them down—and succumbed only when neither he nor any one else could have altered the final outcome by further resistance. Tarleton was a most dashing leader of dragoons in partisan warfare; and if he was often ruthlessly unsparing, so were many among his-opponents.

"I also thank you for the very interesting <Marginal Notes by Lord Macaulay.' It is the kind of book that I rejoice in, especially when I have many things to worry me, and do not feel like reading books that are too long or too serious unless they are also very interesting!"

PALACE HOTEL, EOME,
November 27,
1907.

Yesterday I had the immense double pleasure of a letter from you, which was as gratifying personally as I ever received; and of arriving for a six weeks' holiday—from happy labours—in this wonderful and most attractive of cities. What a delight it would be to show you about it! for I know it as well as Horace knew it—as well as you know "Washington. And yet, in my inmost heart, I wish that that opportunity might not come until I am a lustrum older—too old to be your cicerone. Now that you have expressed your approbation of my last volume I may say that, while writing it, I was conscious of having a firmer and larger grasp of the subject than in the previous vol-

umes. I have noted what you say about
Cornwallis for
quotation in the next volume, which, if I can
violate all
literary precedent by writing a book of any
value after
seventy years of age, will be the last volume.

I am reminded, by this place, of the
circumstances that
there is, *at last*, a good history of the great
days of Eome.
It is by Professor Ferrero of Bologna, 'La
Grandeur et
Decadence de Eome.' It is well translated
into French,
in which I am reading it; and the first two
volumes are
translated into English. I read them aloud,
every word;